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Banks.

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
F. DE BOVIS,
Hongkong, August 1, 1891. 1515

Intimations.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-Third Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, Foder's Street, TO-MORROW, the 10th March, at Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1891, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th February to the 10th March (both days inclusive).

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, March 9, 1892. 276

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY General MEETING of the KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, on THURSDAY, the 10th day of March, 1892, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of considering the proposed Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on the 24th February, 1892:—

That in the second and third lines of Article 81 of the Articles of Association the words "One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars" be struck out and that there substituted the words "One Hundred and Fifty Dollars."

By Order of the Board,
A. SHEXTON HOOVER,
Secretary to the Kowloon Land & Building Co., Ltd.
Agents for the Kowloon Land & Building Co., Ltd.
Dated, 24th day of February, 1892. 370

HONGKONG SKEETCHING CLUB.

AN EXHIBITION of PICTURES, painted by Mr. A. J. ROBERTSON, an English Artist, will be held in the St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, TO-MORROW, the 10th Instant, from 3 p.m. to dusk.

Hongkong, March 9, 1892. 454

DILIGENTIA LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

A MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the "HARLENE" Hall, Teland Street, on THURSDAY, the 10th Instant, at 5 for 8.30 p.m. precisely.

Hongkong, March 4, 1892. 437

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Eighth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Praya Central, on FRIDAY, the 11th March, at Three-Thirty o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 25th February to 11th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, February 20, 1892. 349

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

Books for the Study of Chinese, HUNG LOU MENG, or the Dream of the Red Chamber, translated from the Chinese, by H. B. Eversley, Joly, H. M. Connolly, 2 vols., \$3.50.

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Wade's Tea Hwa, Colloquial, 2 vols., \$6.50.

Select Phrases in the Canton Dialect, by Dr. Kerr, 50 cents.

Notes on the Chinese Documentary Style, by Dr. Hirth, \$1.50.

Text Book of Documentary Chinese, by Dr. Hirth, 2 vols., \$4.

Chinese without a Teacher, by H. A. Giles, \$1.

Deutsch-Chinesische Conversationbuch, by J. Bass, \$3.50.

Chinese and English Phrase Book in the Canton Dialect, by T. L. Steadman, \$2.50.

Williams' Sinitic Chinese Dictionary, \$15. Necessary Lessons in Chinese, by Arnold Foster, \$1.

On the Structure of Chinese Characters, by Dr. Chalmers, \$4.

KELLY & WALSH, Limited. 451

Business Notices.

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SINGLE STICKS, FOILS, BOXING GLOVES, BILLIARD SUNDRIES, FOOTBALLS, CRICKETING GEAR, LAWN BOWLS, PLAYING CARDS, CHESS, DRAUGHTS, BACKGAMMON, DICE, DOMINOS, REVERSI, and a variety of GAMES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, February 27, 1892. 396

W. POWELL & Co. JUST RECEIVED.

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BED ROOM WARE, TOILET SETS, DINNER SETS, TEA SETS, JUGS, BASINS, TABLE GLASS, ORNAMENTAL GLASS AND CHINAWARE.

W. POWELL & Co. 443

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Board & Lodging per day (1 person), \$ 6.00
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SPECIAL TERMS for a week and from Saturday to Monday.
Travellers supplied to Visitors at reduced rates.

For further Particulars, apply to
The Secretary, 38 & 40, QUEEN'S CENTRAL. The Manager, MOUNT AUSTIN.

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EVENING DRESS SHIRTS, Latest Style
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Intimations.

IN THE POLICE COURT AT VICTORIA IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

The 3rd day of March, 1892.

WHEREAS on the 18th day of November, 1891, THIRTY-FIVE boxes of TEA, bearing a TRADE MARK, purporting to be the Trade Mark of the YUEN SHUN Firm of Canton, were SEIZED on the top floor of House No. 74, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, at Victoria in the Colony.

Notice is hereby given that unless due to the contrary be shown by the Owner of the said Boxes of Tea, on or before the 10th day of MARCH, 1892, the said Boxes of Tea will be FORFEITED and dealt with according to Law.

ALFRED G. WISE,
Police Magistrate.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE SHORT RANGE Subscription Handicap CUP and SPOONS, will be Shot for on SATURDAY, the 12th Inst., at 3 p.m. Ranges—200 and 300 yards.

ED. ROBINSON,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong, March 8, 1892. 465

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRD CALL of OVER PAID (21) IS PAYABLE on or before the 15th MARCH next.

SHAREHOLDERS will please bring or send their PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES in order to have payment endorsed upon them.

Residents at Amoy, Shanghai and Yokohama, etc., Pay at the Bank's Branches there, and at—

Canton, to Messrs. SHEWAN & Co. Fookchow, to Messrs. M. W. CHAN & Co. By Order of the Board of Directors,
GEO. W. F. PLATTAR,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 10, 1892. 274

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
Hongkong, March 9, 1892. 427

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

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The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to 10th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
Hongkong, March 9, 1892. 427

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 11th March, 1892, at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Room, Queen's Road, the following contents of the Estate of the late W. W. CHOKER, comprising:—

LEATHER COVERED SUITS, CHERRY MIRRORS, PICTURES and ORNAMENTS.
TABLES, SIDEBOARD, WHISKY, CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED WARE; LAMPS and GLASS BOOK CASE.
DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEAD, DOUBLE WARDROBE with GLASS DOORS, CHEST of DRAWERS, MARBLE TOP TOILET TABLE and WASH-STAND.
BOOKS on ENTOMOLOGICAL, &c.
ONE CASE MATHEMATICAL INSTRUMENTS.
REFRIG. FOWLING PIECES and REVOLVERS, ONE JIMMICKS.

And
SUNDRY OTHER FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—

CHERRY GLASS, SIDEBOARD with GLASS DOOR, WARDROBE with GLASS DOOR, DRESSER and BREAKFAST SETS, GLASS and PLATED WARE.
ONE COFFEE PIANO.
ONE JIMMICKS.

TERMS OF SALE.—As an entirety.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong, March 8, 1892. 450

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received instructions from the LIQUIDATOR of "Peak Hotel & Trading Co., Ltd." TO OFFER FOR SALE ON SATURDAY, the 12th day of March, 1892, at 3 o'clock p.m. on the Premises, IN ONE LOT, THE FOLLOWING VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY:

"PEAK HOTEL."

All that portion of the PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate near the Gap, Victoria Peak, in the Colony of Hongkong, Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 53, abutting on the North side thereof on the Premises next hereafter described and measuring thereon respectively 148 feet 4 inches or thereabouts, and 115 feet 4 inches or thereabouts on the South side thereof on other portion of the said Farm Lot No. 53, and measuring thereon 215 feet 6 inches or thereabouts on the East side thereof on other portion of the said Farm Lot No. 53, and measuring thereon 118 feet 9 inches or thereabouts on the West side thereof on GROUND being the Premises lastly hereafter described and measuring thereon respectively 230 feet and 3 inches 11 or thereabouts and 10 feet and 4 inches or thereabouts and which said PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND is Registered in the Land Office as Section A of Farm Lot No. 53. And all that portion of the PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND Registered as Section A of Extension of Farm Lot No. 53, known and Registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Section A of Farm Lot No. 53. The above Piece of Ground are shown on the Sale Plan and thereon coloured Red and Blue and contain altogether an area of 60,000 square feet.

And also the right to all the Extension of Section A of Farm Lot No. 53, and the portion of the PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND Registered as Section A of Extension of Farm Lot No. 53, known and Registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Section A of Farm Lot No. 53. The above Piece of Ground are shown on the Sale Plan and thereon coloured Yellow containing an area of 9,230 square feet. Together with the MESSUAGES, ERUPTIONS and BUILDINGS thereon known as the "PEAK HOTEL."

The Purchaser will on surrendering the whole of the above Premises be entitled to one New Rural Building Lot Least direct from the Crown for a term of 75 years from the 26th December, 1874, at the Crown Rental of \$45 per annum, and further particulars apply to:

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors for the Vendor,
Supreme Court House;
or to
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 1, 1892. 414

GREAT SALE OF FURNITURE.

THE MARINER FURNITURE COMPANY, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has been instructed by the LIQUIDATOR to OFFER FOR SALE ON FRIDAY, the 11th March, 1892, at 2.30 p.m., at the FACTORY, No. 129, Warehouse Road, near No. 2, Police Station, the following contents of the Estate of the late W. W. CHOKER, comprising:—

THE HANDSOME DRAWING ROOM SUITES in BROWN, GREEN, and VIOLET.
VELVET and MARBLE TOP COFFEE TABLES, CABINETS, DRESSING, and BOOTH FURNITURE.
DINING ROOM OVEN SHAPED CHAIRS, BOOTH and TELEPHONE DRESSING TABLES, MARBLE TOP BED-ROOMS, and DINING WAGGONS, OVERMATTRESSES, &c.

A large assortment of OFFICE, HALL and BED-ROOM FURNITURE, all of this Company's well-known and substantial make.

Also, One "BARLOCK" AMERICAN TYPE WRITER.

The Furniture will be on view on Monday, 14th March.

Catalogues may be obtained on application to the Auctioneer.

F. RAPP,
Zeland Street.
Hongkong, March 5, 1892. 452

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. OSCAR von der HEYDE has this Day been Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

MR. HUGO FRIEDRICH HERRMANN is authorized to Sign per procuration.

Chas. J. GAUPP & Co.
Hongkong, March 1, 1892. 430

NOTICE.

THE style of the Firm of POATE and NOBLE, DENTAL SURGEONS, has been changed to "Dr. J. W. NOBLE," and will be represented as under:—

JOSEPH W. NOBLE (Hongkong and Singapore, 35, Beach St. Grocer's Square, London, W.)
HERBERT POATE (Hongkong, February 27, 1892. 401)

NOTICE.

WE have this Day authorized Mr. CARL WILHELM LONGUET to Sign our Firm per procuration.

KRUSE & Co.
Hongkong, March 1, 1892. 418

Shipping.

Steamers.

STEAM TO STRAITS & BOMBAY.

(Calling at COLOMBO, if sufficient inducement offers.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

Thetis, Captain L. M. Wiggins, R.N.R., will leave for the above places TO-MORROW, the 10th Instant, at Noon.

H. H. JOSEPH, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, March 9, 1892. 438

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship

Monarch, Captain, will be despatched for the above Port at Noon TO-MORROW, the 10th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 9, 1892. 300

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Co.'s Steamship

Yikang, Capt. T. R. Gaisworthy, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 10th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 9, 1892. 464

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.

The Co.'s Steamship

Yikang, Captain LEWIS, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 10th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 8, 1892. 463

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALUTTA.

The Co.'s Steamship

Chetiv, Capt. R. Gais, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 11th Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 7, 1892. 456

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (FIORIO & RUSSELLI UNITED COMPANIES).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, (LEGHORN), and GENOA; all Mediterranean, Adriatic, Levantine and South African Ports, up to CALTA. Taking Cargo at through rates, to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD.

The Co.'s Steamship

Bormida, FRANCESCO STURZ, Master, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 11th March, at Noon.

At Bombay the Steamers are discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to:

CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 5, 1892. 449

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship

Titan, Capt. JACKSON, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 12th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 7, 1892. 460

Shipping.

Steamers.

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship

Chetiv, Captain POATE, will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 16th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 8, 1892. 466

UNION LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship

Torrington, Captain BLANCK, will be despatched as above for above Ports after arrival.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 28, 1892. 331

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

The Co.'s Steamship

Taitien, R. NELSON, Commander, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamship. First-class Saloon and Cabin are situated forward of the Engines. Second-class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A fully qualified Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, February 27, 1892. 397

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON VIA PORTS OF CALL.

The Co.'s Steamship

Kennin, C. DELA PERRIERE, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 17th March.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 1, 1892. 380

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

Thetis, Captain F. H. HARRIS, will leave for the above places on FRIDAY, the 11th Instant, at Noon.

H. H. JOSEPH, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, March 8, 1892. 448

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

We learn from Japanese papers that Mr. E. B. Watson of Yokohama has filed a petition in bankruptcy.

The number of newspapers and other periodicals published within the jurisdiction of Hyogo Ken was 34 at the beginning of 1891, and another 41 were started during the year. 83 of them, however, did not succeed, and were given up, leaving 47 on the list at the end of the year.

The saving bank deposits made by the Japanese people amounted to yen 24,233,590 in December last, including yen 1,415,500 deposited at the national banks, yen 9,039,890 at private banks, and yen 10,788,200 at post office savings banks.

The report of the Japanese Imperial Railway Department for the year ended 31st March 1891 sets forth that the total length of lines constructed by the Government and open to traffic on the 31st of March last was 501 miles, representing a great increase over the year ending March 31st, 1890, when the line was 470 miles long. The line on the north-west to a point on the south-east with branches eastward and westward to Yokosuka and Tsurumi. There is still a short break in the system at the Utsunomiya, where the line is still under construction. The line is to be completed. The sum expended on the railways amounts to 32,745,901 yen, which makes the cost per mile 69,430 yen. The net personal earnings of the whole system were 6.8 per cent. of the capital, but in consequence of damage caused by storms and floods nearly half a million yen had to be spent in repairs, reducing the net profit to 3.3 per cent. A more serious loss will appear in the report for the year ending March 31st, 1892, in consequence of the destruction caused by the earthquake of October last.

JAPAN AND THE WORLD'S FAIR.—A Chicago telegram, dated February 12, says: Tegami, representative of the Mikado of Japan, appeared before the Sixth Park commissioners, to-day, and laid before them a remarkable offer on the part of the Government of Japan. He told the board that Japan wanted to put a stone building in Jackson Park; lay out Japanese gardens all around it; fill the building with rare works of art, and then give everything to the city of Chicago. Tegami said that the Government of Japan would not accept an annual appropriation to keep up the buildings and gardens. That was all he said. President Donnerberg asked Tegami to put his offer on paper, and Tegami said that he would do so. Tegami said that the Government of Japan would not accept an annual appropriation to keep up the buildings and gardens. That was all he said. President Donnerberg asked Tegami to put his offer on paper, and Tegami said that he would do so. Tegami said that the Government of Japan would not accept an annual appropriation to keep up the buildings and gardens. That was all he said.

This Sunday's *Observer* draws a picture of how matters stand in Delhi. Hundreds of coolies are out of employment, owing to the number of estates closing. The Chinese who have no means of livelihood are sent back to Singapore. The Japanese coolies have not the advantage, and are obliged to remain in the country. They cannot get away because they have no opportunity to do so, and they have no means to pay for their passage. The consequence is that they run about in gangs, and make the neighbourhood a nuisance. On one estate a band of them, 18 strong, attacked a hired man and robbed him of his money and a large amount of his valuables and clothes. They have been pursued in the country. But, unfortunately, they are not the only ones who have taken to robbery. The whole country swarms with these bad characters, and the police are said rarely to succeed in catching any of them. In East Java, misery and poverty are the order of the day. The headmen among the people that children have begun to be openly offered for sale. At one place, a man sold his daughter, 8 to 9 years old, to a woman for a large sum. Elsewhere, another man sold his children, four in number, for one guinea. Such incidents mark the height of the distress.

Since the building of the Vladivostok end of the great Siberian Railway was commenced, that usually peaceful and orderly town has been disturbed by the presence of a large number of French soldiers. Two of their recent escapades will be fresh in the memory of our readers. One was the murder of a French officer; the other, the robbery of the treasury. When the three assassins were arrested and placed under their respective charges, it transpired that the motive of their crime had been nothing more than to obtain possession of their victim's clothes. The Frenchman appears to have been a person of remarkable habits. Going to the lawless habits of the coolies, the authorities had warned people against going outside the town after a certain hour, but the French officer, forgetful of the injunction or absorbed in a book which he carried, wandered out to a considerable distance from the town. The three coolies saw him, and were seized by a desire to obtain his clothes as they might disguise themselves in them and visit the town. They paid for their atrocious fancy with their lives. The robbery of the treasury was another case. It was a more common-place affair. Recently when it was effected we do not know, but the thieves managed to carry off some three hundred thousand roubles. The money was in notes, however, and the numbers being known, no difficulty of passing them presented itself. We now learn that the thieves have been apprehended, and that the whole amount has been recovered.—*Japan Mail.*

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Galleon, TUESDAY, March 10.
Belgic, TUESDAY, April 6.
Oceania, THURSDAY, April 23.

THE Steamship GALLEON will be
despatched for San Francisco, via
Yokohama, TO-MORROW, 10th March,
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
China, WEDNESDAY, Mar. 23.
City of Peking, SATURDAY, April 16.
Honolulu, THURSDAY, April 23.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CHINA
will be despatched for SAN FRAN-
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